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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FOR A
HEARING TO DETERMINE THE FAIR VALUE
OF THE UTILITY PROPERTY OF THE
COMPANY FOR RATEMAKING PURPOSES, TO
FIX A JUST AND REASONABLE RATE OF
RETURN THEREON, AND TO APPROVE RATE
SCHEDULES DESIGNED TO DEVELOP SUCH
RETURN

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PROCEDURAL ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

On December 30, 2009, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued Decision No. 71448 which required the Utilities Division Staff ("Staff"), by March 31, 2010, to select a benchmarking firm to perform the benchmarking study required by Decision No. 71448.

On April 1, 2009, Staff filed a Motion for Extension of Time ("Motion"). In its Motion, Staff requested an extension until May 19, 2010, to select the consultant to perform the benchmarking study. Staff states that due to the complexity of the requirements of the benchmarking study, it took longer to prepare the Request for Proposals ("RFP") than Staff had anticipated. Staff has prepared the RFP and the document has been released. Staff allowed four weeks for responses in order to maximize the quality and quantity of the potential responses and Staff states that it will need adequate time to analyze the responses in order to select the most suitable consultant.

No objections to the Motion have been received by the Commission.

Good cause is shown, and accordingly, Staff's Motion should be granted.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Staff's Motion is hereby granted and Staff shall select the consultant for the benchmarking study on or before May 19, 2010.

DATED this 13th day of April, 2010.


LYN FARMER
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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